

BROOKE DENIES THE COBAN ARMY.

Will Not Permit It to Do Voluntary Police Duty in the Provinces.

NO PRESS CENSOR NEEDED

Spanish Newspapers in Havana to Be Wamed Against Incendiary Utterances.

HAVANA.

Dec. 28.—Major-General Brooke does not recognize the Cuban army and will do everything compatible with tact and judgment to cause its disbandment.

An auxiliary force of Cubans may be formed, but the recruits will be taken as individuals.

Voluntary police work on the part of the Cuban commanders in the Provinces of Havana, Santa Clara and Pinar del Rio will not be encouraged.

It is a favorite sport among the Cuban young men to stop in the streets persons supposed to be pro-Spanish and to make them kiss the Cuban flag and cry "Viva Cuba Libre!" Sometimes these incidents have their humorous features, but quite as often the victims are viciously treated. Today a fight was started by some Cubans carrying American and Cuban flags, who declared that they had been insulted by Spanish marines. A Cuban drew a pistol, and, declaring that he would defend the American flag, fired. Other shots followed. According to unofficial reports, a Spanish soldier, of the Calaveras Battalion, was killed, a Spanish marine fatally wounded and at least one other, if not several, hurt.

This afternoon a Spanish named Fernandez, a member of the municipal police, was surrounded by a crowd of Cubans in Bomba street. Cuban and American flags were waved in his face, his rifle was twisted out of his hands, and half a hundred men yelled to him "Shout 'Viva Cuba Libre' or die!" Fernandez threw up his arms as if to assent, and then, when the mob had quieted down to hear what he had to say, he cried out in clear tones: "Viva Espana! Viva Espana!" Three knives were thrust into him and he is dying.

The offers of assistance which are continually being made by the Cuban chiefs are politely received, but are not utilized. The Havana newspapers will not be censured in the Spanish sense, but they will be watched, cautioned against incendiary and untruthful utterances and suppressed if habitual offenders. Press cablegrams will not be censored.

It is understood that the United States Treasury will fix the value of the cent at \$4.82, and of the Spanish silver dollar at sixty cents.

The patrols of American troops made thirty arrests for misdemeanors last night, and turned them over to the civil authorities.

Two of the men arrested for the Vegas Bomba Cafe affair are Spanish marines. They were surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

Fifty United States soldiers have been arrested for being in the city without leave. They were sent to the camps for punishment.

A detachment of 100 Cubans, under the command of Colonel Jose Estrance, has entered Havana. The men are quartered at the Dragones Barracks.

A deputation of Cuban residents called on General Brooke with the intention of bringing to his notice certain matters which they would like done and to press upon General Lindero's attention questions relating to the police and fire departments, schools, sanitation and street paving.

The supply ship Conal has arrived here. She left 200 tons of rations at Matanzas, and the remainder of her cargo at Sagua la Grande.

Colonel Moulton, of the Second Illinois Regiment, and Captain McCullagh, formerly superintendent of Police in New York City, who have charge of the organization of the Police Department, have discovered many thieves and other criminals among the applicants for places on the Havana force. One applicant offered indirectly the sum of 500 cents (\$2,500), for appointment on the force.

The Spanish transport Munchen sailed for Cadiz to-day, with 2,400 Spanish troops on board.

A CRIME TO SAY THE DOGES' PALACE IS FALLING.

Members of the Fine Arts Committee to Be Prosecuted, but They Say It Is True.

Special Cable to the Journal. (Copyright, 1898, by W. R. Hearst.)

Rome, Dec. 28.—Signor Bacelli, Minister of Instruction, has ordered legal action against the members of the Fine Arts Committee, who originated the report that the Doges' palace at Venice was tumbling in ruins. An official inspection of the palace is being made to prove that it is in the best of condition.

The Tribune states that the Committee of Fine Arts is ready to meet Bacelli's action, and publishes a letter from Architect Biondi, a member of the committee, repudiating the enormous lesions of the dual palace and predicting its fall into ruins unless promptly repaired.

TWO DANGEROUS DERELICTS.

Steamers Report Them in the Path of Ocean Travel.

Liverpool, Dec. 28.—The British steamer Rockhall, Captain Litten, which arrived here December 25 from Savannah via St. Michaels, reported colliding with a derelict three masted white schooner on December 3, in latitude 38 north, longitude 60 west, an exceedingly dangerous obstruction to navigation. The derelict was a schooner, the British steamer Lewisham, Captain Scott, which arrived at Manchester December 25, from New Orleans via St. Michaels, reports she passed a derelict, bottom up, of about 600 tons, and having a copper bottom, on December 2, in latitude 38 north, longitude 70 west. The vessel was apparently loaded with lumber and case oil. Much of the latter was floating about and was marked "Devons oil, Philadelphia."

BONAPARTISTS SAY IT IS TIME FOR ACTION.

London, Dec. 28.—Special dispatches from Brussels report that an important conference of Bonapartists has just been held there, under the presidency of Prince Victor Napoleon.

Baron Legoux was re-elected president of the party. In thanking his supporters he said: "The time of watching is ended, and the hour for combat is sounding."

MCKINLEY DECLARES THAT THE FILIPINO FLAG, WHICH, AFTER DEFEATING SPAIN'S GARRISON, THEY RAISED OVER ILOILO, MUST BE HUNG FROM THE WAR STANDARD OF THE AGUINALDO ARMY.

General Miller Hurried from Manila with an Armed Force to Carry Out This Determination.

His Instructions Are to "Take Possession" and Raise Old Glory Over the Visayas Province.

Is Expected to Reach Captured City Today with His Two Regiments of Yankee Boys.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—A crisis has been reached in the Philippine situation.

Even as this is being written the American troops, under General Miller, may be in conflict with the Filipinos, who have succeeded in capturing Iloilo.

The Administration decided today that the Filipino flag raised over the deserted Spanish intrenchments last Monday must be hauled down.

General Miller and his two regiments, who were sent on transports conveyed by the Baltimore and the Callao, are due at Iloilo to-day. If the Filipinos submit to American supremacy the problem will have been solved, and no serious trouble in the future from the insurgents need be feared. But if they resist and decline to haul down their flag for the substitution of the Stars and Stripes the Administration is certain that General Miller will carry out his instructions—"Take possession."

On last Friday the Journal published its exclusive cable dispatch from Madrid announcing that fierce fighting had been going on between Spanish troops and Filipinos; telling how the natives, armed with knives only, assailed the Spanish intrenchments and were mowed down with European artillery.

Troops Hurried to Iloilo.

The cable from General Otis received to-day shows that the War Department called him to hurry troops to the spot, but also explains that the Spanish had evacuated the city and that the Filipino flag was flying.

Here is Otis's confirmation of the Journal's news:

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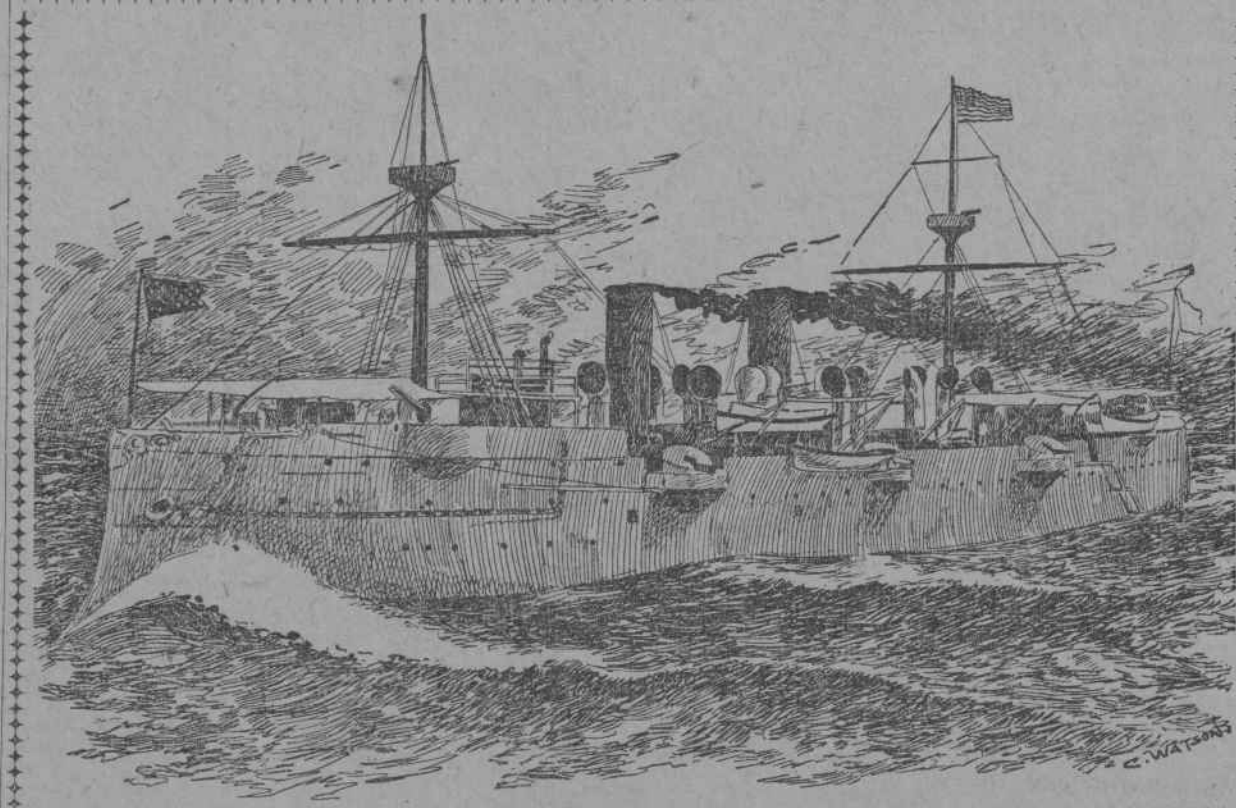
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PAPAL ORGAN URGES FORCE FOR FILIPINOS.

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Rome, Dec. 28.—The Pope's organ, the Osservatore Romano, says:

McKinley wants to convince the Filipino insurgents of the uselessness of all attempts at resistance. He possibly will make them accept this view, but it is more probable that President McKinley will fail in his project.

At present the only effective argument to employ against the force of arms.

Insurgents could be pacified by the diplomacy of the American generals in the islands.

Secretary Long said: 'I do not know what part the navy may be called upon to play in the situation at Iloilo, as reported in the newspapers. The Navy Department puts great faith in the judgment of Rear-Admiral Dewey, and I am convinced that he will act in accordance with the exigencies of the situation, whatever they may be.'

Agoncillo's Defiant Mood.

Agoncillo, the Philippine representative here, plainly showed his defiance to-day. Through his interpreter, Jose Lopez, he commented on the Administration's intention to capture Iloilo from the Filipinos, and if the insurgents in Manila feel as he does, it is impossible to foresee a peaceful adjustment at Iloilo between the American troops and the occupants of the city's intrenchments.

'By all the rules of right and justice,' said Agoncillo, 'the town of Iloilo, having been captured by the insurgent forces, belongs to them and their flag should not be taken down. The Americans have no right there. They did not assist the insurgents in the taking of the place. The Filipino forces captured it without aid from any one. They should be allowed to enjoy the fruits of their unaided victory.'

'Will they resist General Miller if he demands their submission to American sovereignty, and will they lower their flag?' the Journal correspondent asked.

'I do not care to express an opinion on that subject,' was the quick reply. 'The question must be determined by the Aguinaldo government.'

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They Took the City on Christmas Eve, and Col. Potter Reached There Thirty-nine Hours Late.

being held subject to the ransom of Spain. There is no question of money involved in their retention. But the American Government has not yet reached any resolution as to what it will do with the Philippines, and until some understanding is had with the Filipino on this point, we will probably hold the prisoners.

We have had no direct information from Manila since the capture of Iloilo. But I do not believe the story that President Aguinaldo has fled from Manila to the mountains to escape assassination. That is impossible to believe.

Waiting to Hear from Aguinaldo.

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The province of Iloilo is practically the island of Panay and has a population of 250,000 souls. The city of Iloilo, the capital, the second seaport in the Philippine group and located on a river navigable by vessels of not more than fifteen feet draught. American naval vessels would, it is supposed, be of little direct value in an assault on the city, and troops would be debarked on the coast and either marched or ferried to the town in small boats.

In view of its importance it is thought strange that American troops were not sent there weeks ago.

The day after the Journal printed its Madrid cable telling of the fighting at Iloilo, General Otis was dispatched from General Otis's report, was rushed to the scene with a small detachment to receive the surrender of the Spanish garrison, the presumption being that the Spanish would defend the place under the American flag, or that the presence of the flag would cause the Filipinos to desert. But it was thirty-nine hours late that the Spanish had evacuated the same day Potter left Manila, and the day after the Journal's special appeared.

General Otis then dispatched General Miller with two regiments on board transports to Iloilo conveyed by the cruiser Baltimore and the gunboat Callao.

A BLOODLESS DUEL, TWO BLOODY ONES.

The Banffy-Horanzky Affair Fruitful in Encounters.

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BUDAPEST. Dec. 28.—Three duels arising out of the Banffy-Horanzky affair took place to-day. M. Horanzky, a member of the Lower House, having applied opprobrious epithets to Premier Banffy, a challenge followed, but the seconds were unable to agree on the terms of the meeting. To-day's affairs were between partisans of both sides.

The first meeting was early this morning, between Count Karolyi, a supporter of M. Horanzky, and Minister of Defence Eberhardy, who was Banffy's second. Pistols were used, but neither man was touched.

The second encounter, a few hours later, was much more desperate and bloody. M. Szemere, of the Horanzky faction, fought with M. Gajari, a supporter of Banffy. Sabres were the weapons, and the men slashed at each other fiercely, until M. Szemere received a severe cut on the head that placed him hors du combat.

The third duel was between M. Kubik, a son-in-law of M. Horanzky, and M. Kenedi, a journalist. Swords were the weapons, and both men were